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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Prior Application: A. IWAYA et al  
 Serial No. 09/563,455  
 Filed: May 3, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2811  
 Examiner: L. Thai  
 For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Box: Patent Application  
 Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

December 21, 2001

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/563,455, filed on May 3, 2000, entitled A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION  
 LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
 PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee						\$ 740.00
Total Claims	2	-	20	=	0 x 18	= 0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0 x 84	= 0.00
Total Filing Fee						\$ 740.00

3. A check including the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

5. New drawings are enclosed, twenty-eight (28) sheets, Figs. 1-33.

6. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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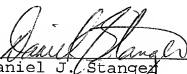
7. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd. and Akita Electronics Co., Ltd..

8. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 11-125909, filed May 6, 1999.

The certified priority document has been filed in the prior application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 09/563,455, as originally filed on May 3, 2000.

  
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